The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn Study Guide

Chapters 8-16

Junior English

1. For what reason do individuals on the river shoot cannonballs and float loaves of bread with mercury inside it?
2. What does Jim think that Huck is when he first sees him?
3. Why has Jim run away from Miss Watson?
4. What does Jim discover in the house that is floating down the river?
5. Do you think that Jim’s character is any different in Chapters 8 and 9 from what it is in Chapter 2? If so, in what ways?
6. What happens to Jim after Huck places a dead rattlesnake near Jim’s sleeping place?
7. Why does Huck dress up like a girl?
8. Which two individuals are thought to have murdered Huck according to Mrs. Loftus?
9. How does Mrs. Loftus figure out that Huck is not a girl?
10. What does Huck and Jim find on the wrecked steamboat?
11. How do Huck and Jim escape from the wrecked steamboat?
12. What is Huck and Jim’s plan to reach safe territory?
13. What does Jim have a hard time believing about the French?
14. What is Jim’s response to Huck’s trick after they are separated in the fog?
15. What is Huck’s moral dilemma in chapter 16, and what does he resolve to do at the end of the chapter?